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Hongkong, 9th November, 1897. [2565]

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on account of the year 1897 at the rate of fifty cents per share (or 5% on the capital of the Company) will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, on and after the 25th inst., or warrants to be mailed from the Company's office, to shareholders entitled to apply at the Company's office for the warrant.

The dividend will also be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, on presentation of warrants there, on and after the same date.

The REGISTER OF SHARES will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 21st instant, till SUNDAY, the 22nd, both days inclusive, during which no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order

A. H. MANGELL

Secretary

Hongkong, 9th November, 1897. [2573]

OLIVER'S FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 561 dated 2nd September, 1897, of the British No. 204/12050 and 21096/1103, in this Company, standing in the name of Mr. Theodore Moorehead, of Foochow, has been LOST and if at the expiration of one month from this date hence the owner does not make known his name and address will be sold at the Office of the General Manager, JOHN H. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers, Hongkong, 9th November, 1897. [2573]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ACERTIFICATE No. 1389/5153, for 5000 shares No. 1387/42194, standing in the Register of this Company in the name of Thomas Hall, having been LOST.

NOTICE is hereby given that a new Certificate for the aid to 500 shares will be issued four days hence, and that the original Certificate will be destroyed with the old.

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MOWBRAY'S NORTHGATE,

Acting Secretary,

Hongkong, 9th November, 1897. [2574]

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION

No. 462

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 9th, 1897.

The P. & O. steamer Canton left Singapore
for this port on the 8th instant, at 4 p.m.

There were 2,350 visitors to the City Hall
Musum last week, of whom 171 were Europeans.

Stamp collectors will note from an advertisement
in another column that Mr. Perera, of
Colombo, has on application sent their Ceylon
stamps on approval.

The C. Mutual steamer Paddington, from Glasgow
and Liverpool, passed the Canals about 22nd
ultimo, and may be considered due at Singapore
on or about the 12th instant.

The P. & O. steamer *Clytie*, with mails, &c.,
from San Francisco to the 21st ultimo, via
Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and will
leave for this port to-morrow morning, via
Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

We understand says the Japan Times, that
the Marquis had estimated at 5 million
yen for the current fiscal year will be increased
to above 8 million yen for the next year. If the
sum increases at this rate, the total will reach
more than 12 million yen the year after next.

According to the N.Y. Daily News a tele-
gram has been sent to the Chinese government
stating definitely that the negotiations
for the sum of sixteen million pounds sterling
have been concluded with the Johnson Hoole
Syndicate, and that the contract has been
signed.

It is a fact not generally known, say the
China Gazette, that the Hongkong and Shang-
hai Bank has advanced the whole of the money
required by the French Legation at Shanghai
for the payment of the indemnity. The
Bank's terms were more favourable
than the Municipality could obtain elsewhere.

At Shanghai on the 3rd November the
Japanese and French man-of-war in the River
decorated in honour of the Emperor's
birthday, while the British warships were flying
the White Ensign at half-mast, owing to the
funeral death of the Duchess of Teck. The
ceremony was noted by some of the local papers
as "rather curious."

According to the China Gazette formal ap-
plication has been made to the Commissioners of
Customs at Shanghai by Messrs. Bentall &
Co. for clearance papers for the steamers
Wonton and Kiangnan, the first for Vancouver
(1) the Kiangnan for the Yangtze. So far no
answer has been received from the Customs
authorities, who are understood to be "negotiat-
ing" with the higher Chinese authorities on
this very delicate matter.

Two R.A. men of Singapoore are reported
to have deserted for Klang.

The D. R. steamer *Delos*, from Hamburg,
left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst. and
may be expected here on or about the 15th inst.

A.S. Watson & Co., Limited, notify that an
interim dividend of 50 cents per share will be
payable on and after the 23rd November.

We have received from Mr. T. D. McKay the
general passenger agent of the San Francisco
overland route, who is at present on a visit to
Hongkong, a parcel of handbooks giving full
information concerning the Pacific Mail and
the Oriental and Occidental lines and their rail-
way connections, which will be useful to round-
the-world tourists and others; also a railway
map of the United States.

Applications for the second part of the issue
of the Singapore four per cent. Municipal Loan
of \$500,000 closed on Saturday, 30th October,
at 12 m.p.m. The amount of the loan, \$500,000
in 8000 odds, was equivalent more than twice over.
The subscribers at par will get
nothing. Practically all the whole of the loan has
been subscribed in the Straits and Malaya.—

The minutes of the previous meeting were
read and confirmed.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table
a financial minute and moved that it be referred to
the Finance Committee.

CARRIED.

THE CHARGE FOR WATER SUPPLIED TO
GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHMENTS.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table
the report of the Finance Committee, No. 9,
referring to the Appropriation Bill, and in
doing so said, "We will have to do with a
sum unreasonably recommended all the time,
yielding 17 tons of ore, 2000 tons of
gold, 1,900 tons of leadings crushed
yielding 142 tons. The Berlin plant treated
45 tons of concentrates for a yield of 20 tons of
gold. The cyanide plant worked 25 days treat-
ing 700 tons of tailings yielding 266 tons of
bullion of an average assay value of 15.16 per
ounce."

Yesterd. Hon. Comptroller Ramsey, Har-
bour Master, held an inquiry at the Harbour
Office concerning the launch between the
lanches *Morning Star* and *Elsie*, which oc-
curred in the harbour last week. The evidence
showed that the accident occurred through an
error of judgment on the part of the master
of the *Elsie* in giving way to No. 1 Dock launch,
and his certificate was suspended for two
months, while the master of the *Morning Star*
also had his certificate suspended for a like
period for not displaying better seamanship.

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—I beg to submit
the report of the Law Committee on the Inter-
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SANTARY BILL.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY moved that a
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By law approved.

AMENDMENT OF THE CODE OF CIVIL
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The ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—I would ask you
Excellency's permission to move a resolution
amending the Code of Civil Procedure, which
is now in force, in accordance with the recom-
mendations of the Panel of Judges.
The Chief Justice and the Panel of Judges
would like to open a "gap" to give notice to defen-
dants of the next trial at the next meeting, but
see by the same orders a motion may be
made without notice the urgency of which is
admitted by the President and two-thirds of
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THE APPROPRIATION BILL.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY.—I have the
honour to move that the Council do resolve
that the amount of the sum of two millions three
hundred and forty thousand three hundred and
thirty dollars to the public service of the
year 1898 be paid out of the Consolidated Fund.

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—Before proceeding
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EMPEROR OF JAPAN, Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R. **WEDNESDAY, 22nd Dec. 1897.**

EMPEROR OF CHINA, Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. **WEDNESDAY, 19th Jan. 1898.**

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FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA

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